Docket No.: 21713-00055-US1

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

Makoto Ashiura et al.

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For: RUBBER COMPOSITION CONTAINING

MODIFIED CONJUGATED DIENE-BASED POLYMER BONDED TO FULLERENE

Examiner: R. A. Lee

REQUEST FOR REFUND

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

On February 21, 2008, in response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2007, Applicants submitted a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Response filed with RCE Under 37 C.F.R. 1.114. In order to make this filing timely, Applicants' authorized the USPTO to charge the undersigned's deposit account for the following fees:

RCE Filing Fee - \$790.00

Petition for Extension of Time (one month) - \$120.00

However, the USPTO charged the undersigned's deposit account for a two month extension of time (\$460.00).

Therefore, applicants respectfully request credit of the overpayment in the amount of \$340.00 to be credited to Deposit Account No. 22-0185 under Order No. 21713-00055-US1.

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Applicant believes no fee is due with this request. However, if a fee is due, please charge our Deposit Account No. 22-0185, under Order No. 21713-00055-US1 from which the undersigned is authorized to draw.

Dated: May 28, 2008 Respectfully submitted,

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